

# SAN FRANCISCO WILL BE REBUILT

## THE STRICKEN CITY FACES THE CALAMITY IN COURAGEOUS WAY

**While the California Metropolis Still Burns, Resolute Citizens Decide That the New Golden Gate City Shall Rise From Ashes of the Old.**

## FIRE UNDER CONTROL

**Heroic Work of Firemen Who Use Unique Method to Block the Path of the Devouring Flames, Has Saved One-fifth of Municipal Tract—Care of Injured and Distressed the First Problem—Funston Directs Relief Work.**

### (BULLETIN.)

San Francisco, April 20.—The flames north of the Ferry depot, where many people are waiting to be taken across the bay, are still confined to the west end of the street, but there are lumber yards across the street and should the flames reach them and the large freight sheds and warehouses, the safety of the Ferry depot is questionable. Western Union Telegraph Company is located in Ferry Building.

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#### [Publishers' Press]

San Francisco, April 20.—A summary of the situation at a late hour tonight is favorable.

At a meeting of citizens and officials today it was decided to rebuild the city at once on advanced lines—The fire has been checked by heroic measures, the firemen using wet blankets and carpets—Less than one-fourth of the city remains and that is the sparsely settled portion, the business and fine residence districts are all gone—A water famine has been averted by tapping a large water main—Relief hospitals have been established and all are being cared for—General Funston will prevent exorbitant prices by taking charge of Nature's supplies—Burial of dead is a problem and stench from bodies is terrible—Soldiers have to force people from trying to get their valuables out of ruins of doomed buildings—Supplies are arriving on all trains—People pack Ferry House on water front clamoring for passage across the bay.

#### [Publishers' Press]

Oakland, Cal., April 20.—The pitiful parade down Market street of the destitute, many with nothing save the clothes on their backs, others trundling trunks, packing blankets and dragging behind them screaming children, is apparently endless.

The ferry is their destination and none feels relief unless the boat to convey them to Oakland is boarded. Over great heaps of bricks, between cracked and crumpled walls, grim monuments of the frightful disaster, through choking smoke and beneath a scorching sun that glares redhot through the pale smoke, thousands wend their way, brain weary and heart broken to the ferry.

#### Getting Far Away.

Some availed themselves of the offer of the Southern Pacific railroad, which announced that the destitute would be carried free of charge to Oakland, Stockton, Fresno, Sacramento and other nearby points. Many went to Oakland, but others with the fear of death in their hearts, went as far as they could get, anxious to place as much space as possible between themselves and the hell they left behind.

#### Stench is Terrible.

At some points the stench arising from the bodies in the debris is unbearable, but it is not likely that the corpses will be recovered for several days.

Wherever bodies were found the soldiers gave them immediate burial. Many who found their dead were forced to leave them, hunger and fear compelling them to flee. Undertakers when advised of the identity of remains keep a record of the place of burial.

The chief danger in refuge camp at Golden Gate Park is from an epidemic of disease caused by lack of sewer

facility. A gang of men is at work improving conditions.

Bodies removed from undertaking parlors are buried hurriedly before the flames ignite the coffins.

#### Emergency Hospitals.

Emergency service has been established at hospitals in Golden Gate Park with surgeons and twenty-six nurses. Two hundred and fifty patients were treated in the hospitals on water front. City and county hospitals and almshouses have only two days' rations and short medical supplies. Private hospitals in many cases also lack supplies.

Funston has been forced to abandon military headquarters in Washington square, moving to Fort Mason.

#### Fine Residence Gone.

The home of former Mayor James Phelan, Valencia street, has been destroyed. Phelan fled to the Golden Gate Park. All Phelan's real estate, including Phelan and Mutual bank buildings on Market street, were destroyed. His loss is \$1,500,000.

The palatial home of Claus Spreckles, the sugar magnate, on Van Ness Ave., the finest in San Francisco, was destroyed. All of Spreckles' family including John D., owner of the San Francisco Call, lost heavily.

At 4 p. m. a desperate stand by firemen at Leary and Vanness street saved the city from complete ruin. Had this failed nothing would have been left except a few shacks on the outskirts of the city. The success of the final stand was due to the use of wet blankets and rugs with which houses were plastered. As matters stand now about one fifth of the city is saved which is the northwest residence section.

#### Policeman a Robber.

Fourteen men attempting robbery were killed last night by the soldiers guarding the mint. Policeman Joseph Meyers was bayoneted and killed by the National guardsmen for attempting robbery.

At the bankers meeting this morn-

ing Mr. Lynch of the First National reported that a committee had examined all bank and safety deposit vaults and found them intact. With this assurance that all money papers are safe he also reported that books and records of the City Hall escaped injury.

#### Situation Well in Hand.

Funston reports the situation well in hand and no more troops needed. Owing to threatened famine he asks for large supplies of food, tentage and blankets.

#### Now Under Control.

The situation at San Francisco is at last under control, at least one quarter of the city can be saved but that portion is but sparsely settled. The residential section and the entire vitals of the metropolis of the Pacific coast is burned out and a mass of smoking ruins marks what was the business section of the city.

General Funston, who under the direction of the mayor is relieving distress, succeeded in bringing considerable order out of chaos that existed since the first and now no one is suffering more than is to be expected when the magnitude of the catastrophe is considered. Concentration camps are being handled with military precision. Rations are doled out without stint.

#### Water Famine Averted.

The one horror feared—water famine—was averted tonight when the water company completely connected with the larger mains and now no one feels pangs of thirst. Supply trains bearing provisions of all kinds arrived during the day and have been turned over to the military authorities.

As far as possible all refugees have been taken from the city and work will now go on with vigor.

#### Will Rebuild City at Once.

The city will be rebuilt. This was decided on at a meeting of the leading citizens and city officials today. Just what will be done along this line can not be fully determined for several days. But already scores of men are at work clearing debris, making a start getting conditions for shape for contractors and builders. There is enough aid in sight so that every one will be able to rebuild. There will be a general readjustment of street lines, so that thoroughfares will be wider than heretofore and laid out with an eye to preventing conflagrations in the future.

Relief stations for the homeless have been established at Golden Gate Park, Presidio and San Bruno road, while at North Beach there are smaller camps, chiefly inhabited by well known merchants.

By the order of the authorities Funston will take charge of all supplies of nature in order that exorbitant prices cannot be charged by those controlling supplies.

#### Terrible Tales Told.

Terrible tales are told of the mad things which have been done since Wednesday. This morning the soldiers had to use force to keep the residents from rushing into doomed buildings to rescue their valuables.

#### The Business District.

To state just what sections have been destroyed is to print a list of the streets in the business districts. Customs houses and bonded warehouses are the only buildings left. The business district is bounded by the water front on the east, Franklin street on the west, Broadway on the North and Folsom street on the south.

#### PROVISIONS SELL HIGH.

Care of Three Hundred Thousand Homeless Persons is Now the Problem.

#### [Publishers' Press]

San Francisco, April 20.—The care of three hundred thousand homeless and hungry is now the main problem the authorities have to solve. Bread, meat and drink are lacking. All the leading cities and towns throughout the country are now exerting themselves to aid the sufferers and provisions are now headed for them from many points.

Bread has already sold as high as \$1 a loaf in the stricken city and two loaves and a can of sardines brought in one instance \$2.50. But this condition of affairs will not be permitted to last long. In towns across the bay the master bakers have met and fixed the price of bread at 5 cents a loaf, with the understanding that they will refuse to sell to retailers who attempt to charge famine prices. The committee of citizens now in charge of the situation here will also use every effort to keep the price of food down to the ordinary price.

#### Police Confiscate Goods.

This committee of safety, composed of fifty of the leading citizens of San Francisco, with Mayor Schmitz at its head, are taking all necessary steps

MARKET STREET, LEADING THOROUGHFARE OF SAN FRANCISCO



THE ENTIRE DISTRICT SHOWN IN THIS PICTURE WIPED OUT BY EARTHQUAKE AND FLAMES.

for the protection and assistance of the victims of the fire. Three relief stations for the homeless have already been established by the general committee. These stations are the temporary homes of the homeless. The stations are at Golden Gate Park, the Presidio and San Bruno road. By order of the general committee all remaining stores were entered by the police last night and their goods confiscated. In the meantime the hills and beaches of San Francisco look like an immense tented city.

For miles through the park and along the beaches from Ingleside to the seawall at North Beach the homeless are camped in tents, makeshifts rigged up from a few sticks of wood and a blanket or sheet.

#### STANFORD'S LOSS \$4,000,000.

Church, Library, Gymnasium and Memorial Arch Wrecked.

#### [Publishers' Press]

Sacramento, Cal., April 20.—The following signed statement has been made by President Jordan:

"The earthquake did great damage to the buildings of Stanford University. Only two lives were lost, one a student named J. A. Hanna, of Bradford, Pa., and a fireman, Hans Stroh.

Eight students were injured, none seriously. The buildings wrecked are the memorial church, the new library, the gymnasium, the memorial arch and the power-house. Many buildings of the outer quadrangle were seriously damaged, as well as some of the shops. The chemistry building and Encina Hall, the inner quadrangle are practically uninjured. The damage will approximate \$4,000,000. The books, collections and apparatus are not greatly damaged.

"The message, together with 400 private messages from the university community, is sent from Sacramento as all telegraphic communication to Palo Alto and around the bay is out of commission."

#### CALM AT LOS ANGELES.

Sight Shock Did No Damage in Lower California City.

#### [Publishers' Press]

Los Angeles, April 20.—There has been no recurrence of the earthquake shock which was felt here yesterday afternoon. No damage was done and there is no excitement.

#### PHILADELPHIA SENDS TENTS.

Philadelphia, April 20.—Pursuant to the order issued by Secretary

Taft, of the War Department, the quartermaster's department in this city today shipped to San Francisco 3,500 conical tents, all that were available in the Philadelphia depot. The tents were forwarded by express over both the Pennsylvania and the B. & O. railroads.

#### TRANSPORT SUPPLIES FREE.

[Publishers' Press]  
New York, April 20.—Wells, Fargo & Co., has announced that they will transmit free of charge supplies for the sufferers from the San Francisco disaster, which are addressed to any San Francisco relief association or public official who may have charge of the distribution of it.

#### OFFER OF RAILROADS.

[Palladium Special]  
Chicago, April 20.—An offer of free transportation for all supplies intended to relieve the distress in San Francisco, was today made to representatives of the Chicago Commercial Association by the Santa Fe and Southern Pacific railroads.

#### ONE FROM KING EDWARD.

[Publishers' Press]  
London, April 20.—The details of the San Francisco disaster were cabled to King Edward, who immediately ordered a cable message sent to President Roosevelt expressing his sorrow at the dire calamity.

#### WILL TURN OVER \$100,000.

Lewis and Clark Exposition to Give Its Profits to San Francisco.

#### [Publishers' Press]

Portland, Ore., April 20.—A meeting of the stockholders of the Lewis and Clark exposition has been called for the purpose of turning over the hundred thousand dollars' profit left from the exposition to the San Francisco relief committee. Thirty thousand remaining of the fund raised at the time of the Heppner disaster, will also be turned over.

#### \$25,000 FROM PENNSYLVANIA.

[Publishers' Press]  
Philadelphia, April 20.—The Citizens' Permanent Relief Association (Continued on Page Eight.)

#### APPEAL TO WOMEN.

The Women's League, feeling that the Women of Richmond should do something toward relieving the homeless and destitute people of San Francisco, has called a mass meeting for Saturday, at 2:30 at East Main Street Friends' Church to consider using for that purpose the fund now lying in the treasury, and to raise as much more as possible. Even the smallest sum will help to swell the general fund. Contributions of clothing, bedding and supplies will be most welcome. These are our fellow citizens; they are homeless and starving. Is it not our first duty to do all in our power to alleviate their distress?

Every woman of Richmond is a member of the league and as you responded so promptly to our call last fall, will you not do so now? MRS. JAMES MORRISON Pres. MRS. GEO. H. KNOLLENBERG, Vice President and Treasurer. MRS. W. K. BRADBURY, Sec'y.

## RELIEF FUND IS GROWING LARGER

**More Money Sent to Palladium Office for California Sufferers.**

### ONE LITTLE GIRL'S MITE

SENT 67 CENTS, TAKEN FROM HER SAVINGS BANK — RICHMOND LODGES TO ASSIST IN THE RELIEF WORK.

#### CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED.

The Palladium	\$ 25 00
George L. Cates	25 00
Samuel Gaar	25 00
A. D. Gayle	5 00
Jonas Gaar	5 00
John Dougan	25 00
P. W. Smith	10 00
B. B. Myrick	5 00
T. A. Mott	5 00
J. E. Craighead	25 00
H. J. Hanes	5 00
E. G. Hibbard	10 00
John M. Westcott	100 00
George W. Miller	5 00
Frank C. Kibbey	5 00
Clem A. Gaar	5 00
Starr Piano Co.	100 00
Howard Campbell	10 00
John Nicholson	10 00
Mayor Zimmerman	5 00
Silas Zeller	10 00
Mary C. Zeller	10 00
Dr. L. G. Bowers	5 00
Samuel Fred	5 00
Sol. Saffer	5 00
August Stauber	1 00
S. W. Hart	5 00
Reuben Myrick	5 00
Henry Holzappel	10 00
E. G. Vaughan	10 00
Joe Geier	1 00
Stella W.	67
Benjamin Johnson	10 00
John H. Johnson	10 00
Wm. Dudley Foulke	25 00
Otto Rettig	5 00
Francis Willard W. C. T. U.	5 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$527 67</b>

Voluntary contributions continue to reach the Palladium office and by tonight the fund will have reached more than \$700. This in addition to contributions otherwise made and which are in the hands of other newspapers and individuals, should make the total Richmond has contributed upwards of \$1,000.

The Richmond Commercial Club, the Woman's League, and other organizations of the city will doubtless add much to the fund now being raised and there also will be liberal donations of supplies of one sort and another which will be forwarded as soon as possible.

#### Little Girl's Mite.

A ten-year-old girl living on a rural route adjacent to Richmond, sent the following to the Palladium yesterday: Editor Palladium:—I send you 67

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### CALIFORNIA EARTHQUAKE ZONE

